

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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2. The approach to Kovda is well marked with leading marks to indicate the channel. These marks, however, are not lighted, so entry is impossible by night.

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5. the authorities were, generally speaking, easy to deal with. The loading was done by women, who worked very well. The stowing was better than in other White Sea ports.

6. The quay, which is located on Oleniy Island (N 66-42, E 32-53), is long enough to accommodate two ships of approximately 260 feet in length, but it is difficult to warp in alongside. The quay is equipped with mooring bollards, and there is ample water alongside.

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with a draft of 22 feet can load at the quay, but they must clear at high water.

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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7. The sawmill, which is located a short distance from the quay, is very large. Lumber of small dimensions was produced at the sawmill. Another sawmill farther upstream carried out winter sawing. Logs for this sawmill were towed upstream by a tug, the only one in the port, which was [redacted] registered at Kandalaksha (N 67-09, E 32-36).

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1. [redacted] Comment: [redacted] there was a lively traffic of tugs and barges between Kovda and Oleniy Island.

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